STATEMENT OF PUBLICATION

n response to a 1975 federal district court order barring further transfers to the state penitentiary at Angola due to severe overcrowding - and despite fierce political and community opposition, Dixon Correctional Institute was established in Jackson on the site of the Eastern Louisiana Mental Health System by the Louisiana Department of Public Safety & Corrections. On April 1, 1976, 400 prisoners were transported to DCI from Angola and the era of satellite state prison camps was launched. Today, DCI is just one of ten such facilities and is rated to house 1,690 inmates with an operational capacity of 1,586 maximum, medium, and minimum custody inmates.

In 1993, Dixon surpassed rigorous accreditation standards of the nationally recognized American Correctional Association with a 98% approval rating. Dixon has been routinely reevaluated by ACA inspectors. In 2008, ACA

awarded DCI a 99.1% rating.

Straight Low Magazine, the official inmate publication for DCI, was originally named DCI News & Views. Mrs. Rose Travis, then-Director of Inmate Programs at DCI, after becoming acclimated with daily prison jargon, renamed the publication to better reflect the aim of the DCI administration and inmate population.
"Tell the truth at all costs!" Mrs. Travis instructed her

inmate staff and Straight Low Magazine was born.

The term Straight Low is a derivative of the 'free-worlder's' slang terms: 'Skinny', 'Low-Down', 'Poop', 'Real Scoop' and 'Straight Talk'. It is also the prisoners' terminology for information believed to be true and factual. Since its rebirth in 1977, every inmate editor and staff member has been committed to the task of disseminating fact from fiction; truth from lie; stark reality from unsubstantiated rumour.

In 2001, Mrs. Travis died. In her memory each cover of Straight Low Magazine bears a silhouette of a single rose.

James M. Le Blanc was appointed as Warden of DCI in 1995. Under his direction, Straight Low Magazine uniquely became an uncensored prison publication. In 1999, Straight Low Magazine was formally certified by Secretary of State Fox McKeithen as Louisiana's Official Prison Magazine for the New Millennium.

Warden Steve Rader was named Warden of DCI in 2008 after Warden Le Blanc was appointed by Gov. Bobby Jindal to the post of Secretary of the Dept. of Public Safety & Corrections. Warden Rader also assumes the role of publisher of Straight Low Magazine, as well as the employee

magazine, Dixon Digest.

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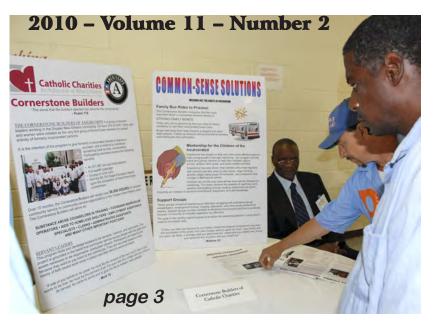
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FIRST WOR

Editorial by Jan Joseph Porretto

dozen or so years ago, this magazine's sponsor, at the behest of the offender magazine staff, contacted the *Missing Children's* hotline and requested pictures and information about missing children be forwarded for publication in *Straight Low Magazine* just as they were on cartons of milk in supermarkets. The rationale was that the criminal element – prisoners – might be able to provide valuable information to authorities. The magazine's sponsor at that time said she contacted the folks at *Missing Children* and that they were reluctant to send children's photographs to a prison magazine because they didn't want children's pictures being shown to a prison population that included child-molesters. The concept was abandoned.

Later, this magazine routinely ran features offering citizens advice on how to better protect themselves and their property from robbery, burglary and even rape.

In 2002, at the height of the rampage of the Baton Rouge

area serial killer, Straight Low Magazine published suggestions to identify the culprit that proved to be fairly

marrests have been made in three cases and another case was closed when the missing person's body was discovered...

accurate when former DCI prisoner, Derrick Todd Lee, was arrested and convicted for several murders.

Straight Low Magazine was the first prison magazine in the world to publish the photographs of DCI offenders who were convicted in state court for sex crimes against fellow prisoners and prison staff members.

All this was done with the intent to make DCI, incarceration, and the civilized world a better, safer place to live and work. It is unknown if our advice and perspectives helped anyone or solved anything.

Last March elected dormitory representatives were summoned to the Dixon Correctional Institute visiting facility where Warden Steve Rader and his administrative staff advised the committee that *Louisiana Cold Case Cards* were going on sale at the prison canteens.

The deck of 52 playing cards contains the photographs of missing persons or murder victims and pertinent information on when and where they were victimized. The cards contain information on how state prisoners can

telephone *Crime Stoppers* to provide information that might help solve these cases.

According to a report published in *The Advocate* of Baton Rouge, Secretary James M. Le Blanc, head of the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections said prison canteens generally sell 10,000 decks of cards a year. "With the *Louisiana Cold Case Card* deck, we've accomplished 60 percent of annual sales in just under six months. I'm very happy with those numbers because I think it shows that our population is interested in the cases," Secretary Le Blanc was quoted by *The Advocate's*, Kimberly Vetter.

In the short time that the *Cold Case* cards have been in circulation, arrests have been made in three cases and another case was closed when the missing person's body was discovered and his death was ruled as a suicide.

It is unknown if information received in any of these

four cases were a result of telephone tips from state prisoners. All information gathered by *Crime Stoppers* and

cash rewards issued by that agency is anonymous.

"When we rolled out the *Louisiana Cold Case Card* deck, I said that I would be happy if one case was solved," Le Blanc said. "I'm very pleased that arrests have been made in cases involving individuals featured in three of the cards."

Prisoners at DCI can purchase the cards at any of three canteens for just 85 cents. Offenders with information regarding any of the cases depicted and/or have information regarding unsolved crimes can call *Crime Stoppers* using the offender phones located on each dormitory. *Straight Low Magazine* has printed informational signs that post the call numbers for *Crime Stoppers* near every offender phone. When offenders make that call, they will not have to give their identity. And, they might be eligible to receive cash rewards for doing society a valuable service.

As a public service for a worthwhile cause, *Straight Low Magazine* has published cold case cards in this issue.



MISSING PERSON



Eleanor Parker 18 yr old W/F

On November 10, 1981, Eleanor Parker of Baton Rouge, La. was last seen in her 1975 Ford Maverick. Her whereabouts remain a mystery.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Oscar Dwayne Broadway 37 yr old B/M

On January 2, 2007, Oscar Broadway walked out of "Bennies" Lounge located at 4675 North St. in Baton Rouge, La. when he was shot in the parking lot. Oscar Broadway died as the result of this shooting. Who shot Oscar Dwayne Broadway and why?

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Jamey Williams Drexel Swayzer 25 yr old B/M 27 yr old B/M

On Saturday, September 1, 2007, Jamey Williams and Drexel Swayzer were found murdered. They were last seen alive earlier at a night club in Baton Rouge, La. Their bodies were discovered burned behind the Mississippi River levee in Port Allen, La.







HOMICIDE



Marcus O'Connor 21 yr old B/M

On Monday night February 6, 2006, Marcus O'Connor was driving his silver Pontiac Grand Am east on Glen Oaks Dr. approaching Silverleaf in Baton Rouge, La. An unknown person driving a white SUV stopped beside O'Connor's vehicle and fired several shots into his car. Marcus O'Connor died as the result of this shooting.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Jeffrey Hutchinson & Ramon Jackson 25 yr old B/M 25 yr old B/M

On Saturday, April 10, 2004, Jeffery Hutchinson and Ramon Jackson were riding on Lanier Dr. in Baton Rouge in a champagne colored Honda Accord when some unknown person(s) began shooting into the rear of the vehicle. Both Hutchinson and Jackson died as a result of this shooting.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Michael W. Dalton 29 yr old B/M

On March 29, 2004, Michael W. Dalton left "Club Playboy" in Port Allen and was driving his 1997 Chevrolet Suburban across the Old Mississippi River Bridge on US Hwy 190 when an unknown individual pulled up beside Dalton's vehicle and fired several shots into his vehicle. Michael W. Dalton died as the direct result of this shooting.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867





HOMICIDE



Kassie Lynn Federer 19 yr old W/F

On September 13, 1999, Kassie Lynn Federer was found shot to death in her apartment located at 1290 Park Blvd in Baton Rouge, La. Who shot and killed Kassie Federer?











Colby Williams 18 yr old B/M

On Wednesday October 24, 2007 the body of Colby Williams was found in the street, at the dead end of Tuscany Dr. in Baton Rouge, La. Who killed Colby Williams and why?

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867





HOMICIDE

Terrin Fortenberry 22 yr old B/M

On March 5, 2005, Terrin Fortenberry was sitting in his green Chevy Camaro waiting in traffic at the 2600 block of Wenonah St. in Baton Rouge, La. when an unknown individual opened Fortenberry's car door and shot him. The unknown individual then threw Terrin into the street and stole his car. The car is described as being a very "flashy" green Camaro. Who shot and killed Terrin Fortenberry?

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867





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Warden Steve Rader, Assistant Warden Gary Shotwell, and Assistant Warden Bruce Coston attended to thank representatives from twenty-six organizations in attendance. Offenders expected to be released within the next twelve months were permitted to attend the Resource Fair.

"Mrs. Shirley relentlessly contacted dozens and dozens of businesses and

community service organizations requesting that they send representatives to talk to the guys. All you see here today is because of her hard work," Mrs. Harvey explained.



IRS AT PRE-RELEASE

Submitted by Michael Ellerbe, Pre-Release Director

he Internal Revenue Service paid a visit to DCI recently and it wasn't to collect delinquent taxes. Instead, the Community Outreach division of the IRS provided helpful information to the Pre-Release participants regarding the various free community assistance programs available at the IRS. From helping to do your taxes to assisting in educating individuals on little used deductions that they may qualify for, the IRS has become more user-friendly in recent times. IRS representatives Jan Pretus, Territory Manager and Senior Tax Consultant Randolph Johnson provided key information that was extremely helpful to the class.

Additionally, they answered many questions that the offenders had regarding a myriad of tax issues regarding their incarceration. A key piece of information the IRS representatives offered to the offenders was that they should make contact with the IRS about past taxes instead of thinking the issue will just go away. Ms. Pretus stated that the IRS wishes to work with an individual who has had extenuating circumstances rather than causing an increased economic burden.

Several key deductions many people do not tap into when doing taxes are the Earned Income Tax Credit. EITC is a special credit lower-income workers can deduct on their tax returns. The earned income credit can be claimed on a tax return not only by workers with qualifying children, but also by workers with no children under certain circumstances. The earned income credit reduces the amount of tax you owe (if any) on your tax return and is intended to offset some of the increases in living expenses and social security tax. The earned income credit is not a tax deduction; it is subtracted directly from the amount of tax you owe on your tax return, so you end up paying less tax and you may get some money back from the government. Even if you had no tax withheld or do not owe any tax to the IRS on your tax return, you might still get some money back because the earned income credit is a "refundable credit."

Another deduction, the Child Tax Credit of \$1,000 is available on your tax return for each qualifying child of a taxpayer under age 17. Qualifying children are a taxpayer's child, stepchild, grandchild, great grandchild, or eligible foster child that the taxpayer claims as a dependent on his/her tax return. An adopted child qualifies for the Child Tax Credit on your tax return if placed with you by an authorized agency for legal adoption, even if the adoption is not final by the end of 2009.

EVERYONE'S CRAZY 'BOUT A SHARP-DRESSED MAN

By Jan Joseph Porretto, slm editor

earching for employment in Vacherie, Louisiana, is a 35-year-old ex-offender smartly clad in an expensive double-breasted suit. Scott Bellow met his parents, parked at the front gate of Dixon Correctional Institute; minutes after the midnight head-count had cleared on a steamy August night.

An hour before his discharge from prison, a Corrections' supervisor handed Bellow a suit, shirt, and tie provided by the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections/Dixon Correctional Institute through a charitable partnership with *Refined by Fire Ministries* and *Men's Wearhouse*.

Bellow, completing a five-year sentence, eagerly pulled the straight pins from the new white cotton dress shirt and quickly pulled it on. He removed the dark blue double-breasted suit coat and slacks from the wooden hanger emblazoned with a *Godchaux's/Maison Blanche* label. Both clothing stores were closed several years ago. A close inspection of the garment surprisingly revealed that at one time, it had been a very expensive outfit. Made of 100 percent Italian wool, the dark blue jacket was lined in blue silk. The trousers were pleated and cuffed. The European cut reflected conservative business

We are grateful to Men's Wearhouse for continuing our partnership again this year. Hundreds of men releasing from Louisiana's prisons have transitioned back into their communities... —Secretary James M. Le Blanc

attire. It was a really nice suit!

According to a September 1, 2010 press release from the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, the Department and *Refined by Fire Ministries* partnered with *Men's Wearhouse* for the third consecutive year for a *National Suit Drive*.

The goal of the drive is "to help men seeking employment get a boost of self-

confidence."

"This is the third year that DPS&C and RBF Ministries have participated in the Suit Drive. Items collected in previous years include men's suits, dress shirts, jackets, ties belts, shoes and outerwear. The public may donate their gently used and cleaned items at any participating Men's Wearhouse location," the press release read.

Louisiana DPS&C Secretary James M.
Le Blanc said, "We are grateful to Men's
Wearhouse for continuing our partnership
again this year. Hundreds of men releasing
from Louisiana's prisons have transitioned
back into their communities with
professional attire donated through these
drives. Having professional clothing to wear to
job interviews is a big part of the Department's
Reentry efforts and those efforts are aimed at

empowering these individuals and preventing their return to prison."

CERTIFIED TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

Values Development and Faith-Based Initiatives	Time to Complete (months, days or contact hours)	Good Time Credits Awarded
‡Faith and Character Based Dormitory	24 months	180 days
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary—Spiritual Growth Certificate	30 hours	180 days
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary—Associate Degree	Upon graduation	180 days
New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary—Bachelors Degree	Upon graduation	180 days
‡Youthful Offender Program	12 months	180 days
Therapeutic Programs		
‡Sex Offender Treatment – Madison County Risk Management	100 hours	120 days
Psycho-Social Program	100 nours	120 days
Treatment Programs		
FWCC 90 Day Substance Abuse Treatment Program	400 hours	180 days
FWCC 180 Day Substance Abuse Treatment Program	500 hours	180 days
FWCC 360 Day Substance Abuse Treatment Program	500 hours	180 days
‡Living in Balance: Moving From a Life of Addiction to a Life of Recovery	35 hours	120 days
‡Louisiana Risk Management Model: Mind Altering Substances – Identification (Phase I) and Understanding Substance Abuse (Phase II)	24 weeks	60 days
‡Parenting	14 hours	60 days
‡Anger Management: Cage Your Rage	16 hours	60 days
‡Understanding and Reducing Angry Feelings	12 hours	60 days
Intensive Motivational Program of Alternative	N/A	N/A
Correctional Treatment (IMPACT)*		
Treatment Programs—Local Jail Facilities		
Blue Walters Substance Abuse Treatment Program	90 days	180 days
Celebrate Recovery	10 months	180 days
Concordia Parish Treatment Program (RSAT)	150 days	180 days
Lafayette Parish Correctional Center – Knowledge is the Effect Program	16 weeks	60 days
Lafayette Parish Correctional Center – Options Reentry Program	3 months†	180 days
Lafayette Parish Correctional Center – Residential Drug Abuse Program	6 months	180 days
Richwood Correctional Center – Faith and Character Based Dormitory	12 months	90 days
Richwood Correctional Center – S.T.A.R. Long Term Program	12 months	90 days–6 months
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Vernon Correctional Center – Hazeldon's A New Direction	6 months	120 days
Vernon Correctional Center – Men's Work	6 months	120 days
Miscellaneous		
‡Standardized Pre-Release Curriculum-2010	100 hours	180 days
Pre-Release Curriculum-2005	3 months	180 days
‡Financial Management/Solutions to Poverty	23 weeks	60 days
	Varies	10 do/ did ho
‡Approved College Credit Correspondence Course	varies	10 days/credit hour

^{*}Applicable to Department Regulation No. B-01-004 "Louisiana Risk Need Assessments" only.

‡ Available at Dixon Correctional Institute

CTRP good time is applied for by the coordinator of the program entitled to credits. Offenders do not have to write Records upon completion of any CTRP program.

[†]Plus one year post-release supervision



ixon Correctional Institute in conjunction with Louisiana Technical College, and funded in part through the *Louisiana Workforce Commission*, began classes on July 6, 2010 to teach offenders to professionally weld and cut.

According to DCI Education Director Angela Day, the Louisiana Workforce Commission is a state agency that helps obtain grant funding to operate training programs for high demand trades. Curriculum is accredited in accord with standards set by the *National Center for Construction, Education, and Research* (NCCER).

"This class is great. The students are really working the program and I'm honored to be able to teach it," said DCI welding instructor, Billy Allen.

Allen, a member of *Steamfitters & Pipefitters Local 198*, said he has 10 years structural and combination welding experience in both Union and non-Union jobs and has worked in Utah, California, Colorado, and throughout the Mississippi River Delta Region.

Upon a review of the textbook issued to DCI offenders, the daily class curriculum appears extensive. This rapid track

Fundamentals are immediately emphasized when students realize what it is to work with electrical arcs ranging from 1,500 to 3,000 degrees...

program incorporates fifteen sections of textbook work in addition to hands-on shop work.

Students must demonstrate proficiency in key areas such as personal safety, equipment, fumes and gases, confined spaces, area safety, hot work and fire watches, oxyfuel gas and cutting safety, cutting containers, power tool safety, electrical safety, material safety data sheets, material handling, safety planning,

and emergency action plans. Initial shop work involves cutting metals with conventional torches as well as plasma cutters.

Practical application is stressed in Shielded Metal Arc Welding (SMAW, known in the trade as "Stick" welding), Gas Metal Arc Welding (GMAW or "MIG" welding), and Gas Tungsten Arc Welding (GTAW or "TIG" welding). Fundamentals are immediately emphasized when students realize what it is to work with electrical arcs ranging from 1,500 to 3,000 degrees Fahrenheit.



Welding Class Instructor

Students are taught to pay close attention to all instructions in order to avoid accidents and serious injury. Classroom time prepares students for each upcoming shop session so that they truly understand why they should do as instructed.

"This class is very beneficial for me. I plan to use this trade upon release. It is rewarding to know I will have a head start in

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Sparks fly as Welding Student Lee Corcoran grinds slag from iron plates the students will use for practice, hands-on instruction, and the morning's tests.



Welding Student Wesley Casnave completes one of the tests required for certification. Work is done in one of eight booths especially designed, ventilated and shielded to accomodate several students working on different projects at the same time.

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such a high-end field. Our instructor is patient with us and makes

sure we have a grip on what we are doing. I'd rate him an 11 on a 1-10 scale," offender Wesley Casnave said.

Student Nolan Adoue explained, "I've been in the oil and gas industry for 20 years already, with five of those years as a foreman. This class gives me a wider comprehension of the different areas of my occupation."



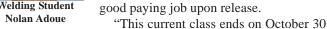
Wesley Casnave

Other students expressed agreement and

appreciation for the opportunity to learn a skilled trade. With a four-month rotation and an average study rate of two chapters

per day, this course is geared for offenders who are serious about learning to weld.

Frequent testing and quick-paced study schedules create a no nonsense environment. Offenders who complete the course and seek employment in welding when they are released from incarceration should have a major advantage obtaining a good paying job upon release.



with the next class beginning on November 1. We are giving priority to offenders whose release date is before June 30, 2011.

We encourage those offenders in particular to sign up as soon as possible," Mrs. Day said.

"The first year's budget is already in place and we certainly expect it to continue so long as we receive good enrollment and progressive, productive students for the classes." instructor Allen said.

Offender Elliot Johnson is assigned as a tutor in the class. He earned his welding certification while incarcerated at B. B.
"Sixty" Rayburn Correctional Center in Angie, La.



Mrs. Angela Day Education Coordinator

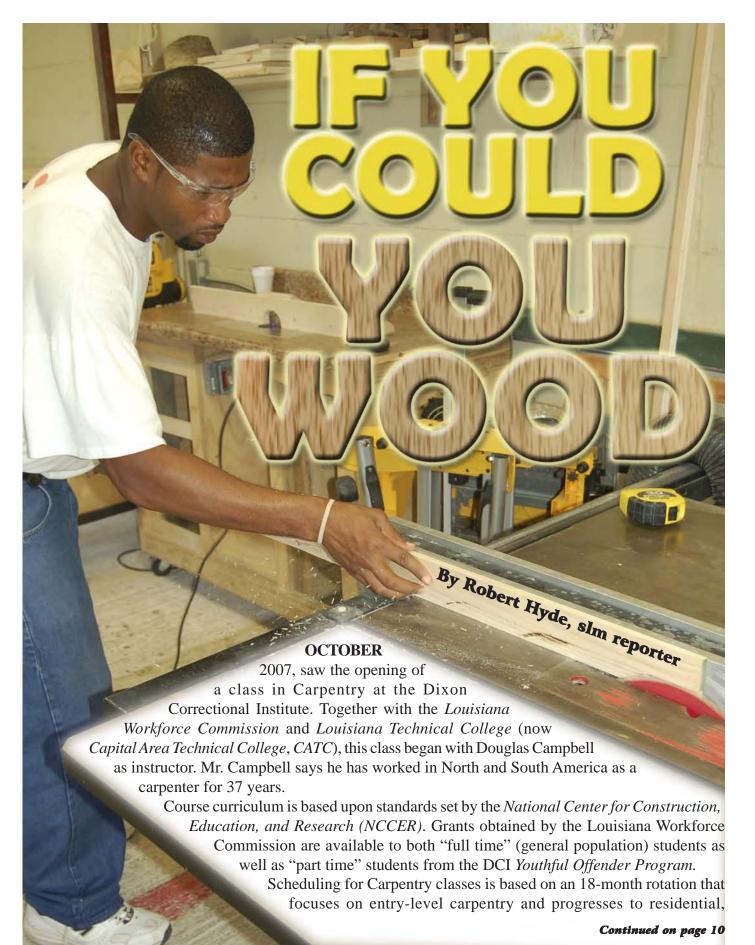
"I recommend offenders take advantage of this trade

Welding Tutor Elliot Johnson

opportunity because it provides them with skills, if they apply themselves, necessary to obtain gainful employment in the welding field. I am due to be discharged from prison in early 2011 and I have been promised employment as a welder for *Turner Industries*. I am excited about the opportunities that lay ahead," Johnson explained.

Offenders interested in obtaining a useful vocational trade may obtain an $\it Educational$ $\it Request$ $\it Form$ from their dormitory representative and mail it to the Educational Department.





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Romalis Hartwell uses a protractor to get the pitch correct on a scale model house.

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commercial, and industrial facets of the trade. As the newest class entered in August 2010, the next admissions will be in January 2011.

The course structure is a combination of classroom work and shop area work. According to Mr. Campbell, all students begin with proving proficiency in basic concepts from the textbooks and are graded on performance profile sheets before being allowed to work with actual tools. These hands-on projects are, in turn, graded before the student moves to the next session in the textbooks. Throughout the course, the students move back and forth from classroom to shop.

There are three NCCER textbooks which each student must complete. The first is the "Core Curriculum" including such basic and introductory sections as safety, construction math, construction drawings, hand and power tools, rigging, communication skills, employability skills, materials handling, and trade terms.

The second book titled "Carpentry



Carpentry Class Tutor Clifton Jones also serves as Tool Room orderly.

Fundamentals – Level One" covers building materials, fasteners, adhesives, reading plans and elevations, floor systems, wall and ceiling framing, roof framing, concrete, reinforcing materials and forms, window and exterior doors, and stair layout.

The final book is "Carpentry

Fundamentals – Level Two." Students learn commercial drawings, roofing applications, thermal and moisture protection, exterior finishing, cold-formed steel framing, drywall installation and finishing, doors and door hardware, suspended ceilings, trim for windows, doors, floors,

and ceilings, as well as cabinet installation and fabrication.

In the shop area students learn proper use and care of tools such as the table saw, joiner, router, band saw, drill press, scroll saw, shaper, planer, and frame and trim saw.



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Carpentry Class Instructor Douglas Campbell gives extensive instruction on blueprints.

"This is a field that is either 'feast or famine.' But we will train you how to make money in both feast and famine times. This takes drive. It's not about the good time; it's about feeding your family when you get out," Campbell said.

Instructor Campbell also teaches students to read blueprints, how to bid on

blueprints, to estimate costs from a blueprint, and how to present bids to a company as a contractor. Posing as a company representative during classroom sessions, he makes students explain estimates, based on blueprints, and present the bid in a convincing way.

Another way students are trained is by building a model house in its entirety, all to scale.

"I've learned how to build a house by reading blueprints and applying that to a scaled down model home," offender/ student Earl Voisin said.

Offender/student Joshua McGaha said, "I built small sheds and even a coffin, along with my model house. I have learned a lot here."

Offender/Tutor Clifton Jones said, "If you are really serious about making money upon your release, this class will give you those skills."



A model house, built to scale based on the blueprint and artist's depiction (background) was on display at the 2010 DCI Offender Job and Resource Fair.

Offenders interested in enrolling in Carpentry class should ask their dormitory representative for an *Educational Request Form* and mail it to the Education Department.



September 2008, Louisiana Technical College (now named Capital Area Technical College) - Dixon Correctional Institute campus, hired instructor Matthew Elam to teach *Collision Repair* Technology to eligible offenders.

According to Mr. Elam, he is instructing the course with a new, updated curriculum based on standards set by the *National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation (NATEF) and Automotive Service Excellence* (ASE). The 18-month course is geared to train students in all aspects of collision repair and custom painting.

"This is a good opportunity for me to be able to share my knowledge of the current industry with students who take pride in their work ethic," Elam said.

Mr. Elam, a third generation mechanic and auto-body professional with a degree in Occupational Education, used his 13-years of experience to open *Elamz Rodz and Kustomz*, a custom auto-body shop in Ethel, La. This business specialized in custom suspension fabrication, custom vehicular electrical systems, a variety of tailored custom paint finishes, and restorations.

"I've worked on boats, 18-wheelers, cars, trucks, jet skis, motorcycles, ATV's, and all types of custom finishes. I bring that experience to LTC's *Collision Repair Technology* course." Elam said.

In the two years Mr. Elam has been at DCI, the installation of the new format has provided the desired results of a more structured, orderly environment. New textbooks outline facets of the trade such as vehicle construction technology, vehicle measurement systems, hand and power tool technology, compressed air systems, body shop materials, shop safety, working sheet metal, body fillers, repairing plastics, fiberglass, body and unibody frame damage, realignment, electronic systems operation and service, restraint systems service, refinish equipment, surface preparation and masking, color matching, paint problems and final detailing, and tips for job success.

New ASE certification manuals and the continuation of regular ASE testing schedules ensure the opportunity for offenders to become qualified as ASE Master

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Technicians upon course completion.

"I've emphasized the current paint systems from R&M, House of Kolor, and PPG. These are the materials professionals use daily in this field," Elam said.



Auto Body Instuctor Matthew Elam

These paints have yielded amazing results for students as they see their skills come to life in metallic, pearl, metal flake, chameleon, and candy paint schemes.

According to instructor Elam, it all starts with groundwork. Students advance

by observing experienced tutors and becoming familiar with trade terminology and chemicals. Students progress to sanding, body fillers, priming, sealing, and troubleshooting. Only when



Auto Body Tutor Robert Bonck

those skills are mastered do they then move on to finish painting, clear coating, buffing, and other detailing. This approach has proven to be a positive and efficient method, as students are well prepared for possible difficulties inherent in

painting by the time they reach the paint booth. This approach also shows each student the exact quality of work required in surface preparation before final refinish procedures.

"Focusing on good relations between instructors, tutors, and students is one of my priorities. This produces a clear understanding of how this trade really works. I'm always open for questions and enjoy watching student work in progress, offering advice along the way. I have been pleased by the student's good attitude toward accomplishing quality work," Elam explained.

The improvements in this course are first rate. The classroom has been completely refurbished, new instructional DVD's have been purchased, the paint booth's ventilation and filtration systems has been remodeled, the shop layout has been streamlined, and the addition of specialties such as airbrushing, gel coating, sheet metal fabrication, and fiberglass molding have truly ratcheted this course up to professional standards.

Instructor Elam schedules vehicles so that students have the opportunity to apply their skills on such models as a 1952 Ford Police Cruiser, the classic Chevy



Auto Body Tutor Jamil Clark

Corvette, the upscale Mercedes Benz, and even modern Harley-Davidson motorcycles.

"I grew up around custom racing motorcycles and race tracks, building bikes with my father. This course has

taken my skills to a whole new level. I'm confident now in my ability to work on any vehicle," offender/tutor Robert Bonck said.

"I have a car my father left to me and one of my dreams is to restore it when I

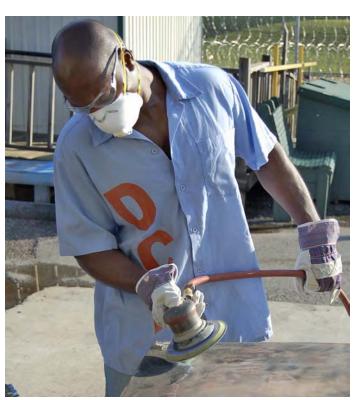


Auto Body Tutor Cory Ford

am released. I am gaining the skills I need to do that now. I look forward to doing my own work on my own car," student Cory Ford said. Offender/Tutor Jamil Clark, who also tutored Collision Repair at

Winnfield Correctional Center, agreed, "I love to do my own work. I just love working on cars and spending my time doing something so productive.

To request enrollment in the Collision Repair Technology class, ask your dorm representative for an Educational Request Form and mail to the Education Department.



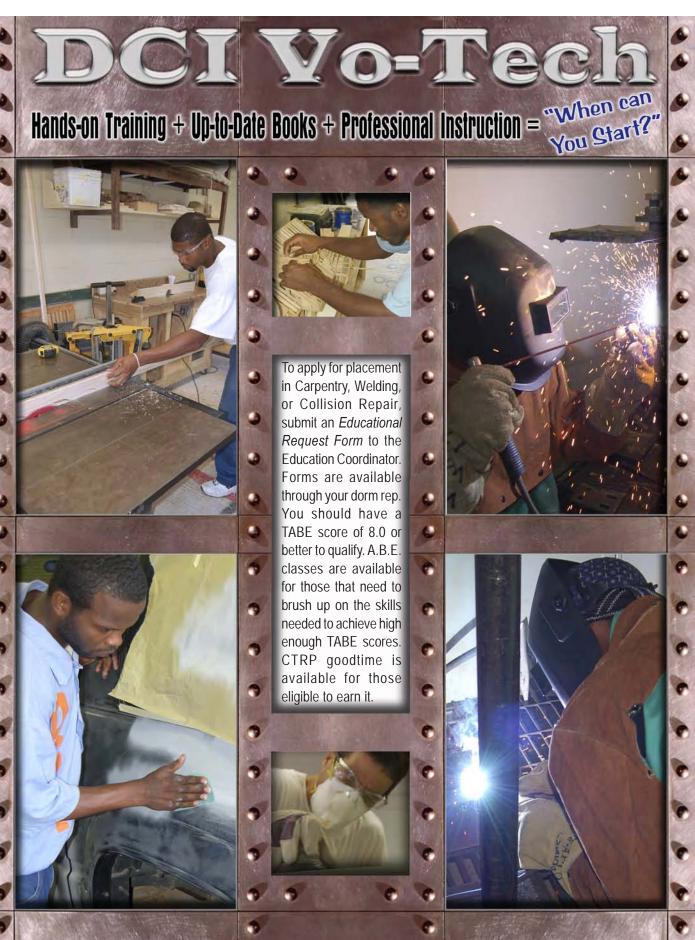








Clockwise from left: Majuangy Evans uses a DA sander to strip a trunk lid to the bare metal; Jamil Clark and Joseph Doyle dry-sand primer; Michael Autry DA sands on trunk lid; Robert Bonck explains to Robert Frederick how to apply body filler; Cory Ford wet-sands a painted surface.



CTRP EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All basic education, job skill training, and industry based certification programs earn 180 days good time upon program completion. Offenders may earn some credits if removed from a progam through no fault of their own.

Basic Education

‡Adult Basic Education (ABE)

#General Education Development (GED)

‡Developmental Studies (LTC)

‡Literacy

‡Special Education

Job Skill Training

All programs certified by the Louisiana Community & Technical College System or other state recognized education agency, to include, at a minimum, the following:

‡Auto Body/Collision Repair

Automotive Technology

Barbering

Building Technology

Care and Development of Young Children

‡Carpentry

Certified Nursing Assistant

Communications Electronics

Computer Electronics

Computer Specialist Application/Operation/Support

Commercial/Custom Sewing

Consumer Electronics

Culinary Arts

Diesel Power Equipment Technology

Electrician/Electronics

Electromechanical Technology

Faith-Based Education (NOBTS)

General Construction

Graphic Communications

Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration

Horticulture (including Golf Course Maintenance)

Job Life Skills (Vocational)

Marketing Management

Masonry

Network Specialist

Offset Printing

Office Systems Technology

Outdoor Power Technology

Pipefitter Fabricator

Plumbing

Upholstery Technology

‡Welding

Industry Based Certification Program

Associated Builders and Contractors - Welding I

‡ Available at Dixon Correctional Institute

TRANSITION TRAINING PROGRAM

The *Transition Training Grant* (TTG) is a federally funded program providing post-secondary educational opportunities to offenders ages 35 and under who have received a GED or High School Diploma. Because TTG focuses on transitioning back into the community, offenders must have less than seven years remaining on their sentence to qualify for services. Participants must also agree to a follow-up period of one year upon release. The offender must also not have been convicted of certain disqualifying offenses. The offender's disciplinary record is also reviewed when being considered as a TTG participant.

SERVICES OFFERED

Independent Study College Courses

These courses are currently offered through LSU *Independent Study*. TTG funds tuition, books, and any other fees required to complete one of these courses. Participants are allowed time to work on their course during a weekly *Job Life Skills Class* callout.

Case Management/Job Life Skills Class

The TTG coordinator meets with participants to offer guidance in the areas of educational goals, release planning, career counseling, financial aid, life skills, etc. TTG staff assists in the development of a plan to assist each participant in becoming successful upon release. Participants also have access to a computer lab with various programs available to assist with creating a resumé, improving typing skills, and strengthening employability soft skills. *Job Life Skills Class* meets once a week.

Vocational Class Assistance

TTG can assist qualified participants in any Vocational class offered at DCI. Grant funds can be used to purchase classroom supplies, books, and other materials used for classroom instruction as well as fund any testing that leads to certification in the offender's area of study.



PROGRAM GRADUATES









As of July 2010, the youthful offender program has had 62 graduation ceremonies. A total of 182 offenders have successfully completed the program since it opened at Dixon Correctional Institute in December 2001.

The Youthful Offender Program is offered to all offenders age 19-years and younger. A dorm cap of sixty participants are housed in an area that is segregated from the general prison population.

The program operates on a fourlevel system. Privileges are earned based on the offender's ability to adjust and progress to the next level. Participants are afforded the opportunity for level changes during a hearing called a Level Board.

Four staff members and the Program Director, hold the hearing to determine eligibility for advancement.

Asst. Warden Kenneth Booty is in charge of YOP security, and Colonel John Smith serves as Program Director of DCI's Youthful Offender Program.

All youthful offenders are required to attend literacy/GED school five days per week along with a minimum of 300 hours of group therapy and individual counseling during the one-year curriculum.

Top Photo: Pro Boxer and former YOP grad, Brad Solomon, Tevin Henry, Warden Steve Rader, Dorion Jenkins, Asst. Warden Bruce Coston, and EBRPP Warden (former DCI YOP Director) Dennis Grimes.

Second Photo: Program Director, Colonel John Smith, Charles Fann, and Major Doug Stroughter.

Third Photo: Emmanuel Freeman, Asst Warden Bruce Coston, Tramayne Loyd, Rev. Gregory McClay of Asbury United Methodist Church, and Akeem Augurson (Costanzer Arvie was released before the ceremony).

Fourth Photo: Anthony Doty of Boh Bros. Construction Company, Raymond Miller, Dominque Bassett, Kailan Fulford, and Warden Steve Rader.

GRADUATES CONTINUED



Left: Dr. Gibbie McMillan, Disaster Relief Director, La. Baptist Convention; Alex Abbit; Christopher Hunter; Colonel John Smith, Program Director.

YOUNG LEADERS GRADUATE EIGHT

By Matthew A. Pineda, slm staff

he Distinguished Gentlemen Toastmasters once again sponsored the Toastmasters International Youth Leadership Program within the Youthful Offender Program at Dixon Correctional Institute. Eight, of the original 13 participants, trudged through the extensive eight-session course to earn graduation honors.

The original plan was to conduct an eight-week course. Due to time constraints, the program stretched into a 14-week tutorial in public speaking,

communication and taking on leadership roles.

The initial meeting launched a panel of five veteran Distinguished Gentlemen Toastmasters into a trajectory of uncertainty and doubt, when thirteen of the young participants immediately displayed character flaws of rudeness, attention

deficit and a total lack of respect for themselves and others. The older and experienced crew of facilitators quickly de-



Alex Abbitt Most Outstanding Young Leader

vised a plan to involve these young men in responsible activities while simultaneously enjoying themselves in meeting roles and rules of order.

As the weeks went by and the Youthful Offenders were volunteered for impromptu and prepared speeches, the hands-on method weeded out most of the

disruptive participants. The newly forming *Young Leaders* hungrily grasped the Toastmasters ideology.

Youthful Offenders Dythaniel McEwen, Shane King, Devin Garrison and Devin Ankrum improved their public speaking skills during the program by presenting admirable speeches. The novice speakers displayed positive traits of up-and-coming orators. There was one exception to the rule. Youthful Offender Alex Abbitt stood heads above the rest and consistently presented well-prepared speeches and performed the duties of an Executive Board member during the entire program. Abbitt was recognized during the program's graduation and presented a trophy for the "Most Outstanding Young Leader" for his exemplary participation.

The Distinguished Gentlemen Toastmasters plan to continue the Young Leaders program for YOP and encourage all Youthful Offenders to sign up for future seminars.



Dythaniel McEwen, Ernest Massey, Devin Garrison, Devin Ankrum, Alex Abbitt, Shane King, Jarian Brass, and Trastavian Hardy



VEIS INCARCERATED DONAITE FANS

By Michael O'Neal, Vets Commander

he VETERANS INCARCERATED of Dixon Correctional Institute (DCI), again donated two hundred new box fans to disadvantaged elderly people in two parishes.

The first time VETS donated fans to the elderly, nearly ten



M/Sgt. Robin McDonald supervises the loading of fans on a second truck headed to the Council on Aging distribution site.

years ago, the group delivered fifty to the *East Feliciana Council* on *Aging*. Since 2004, the project expanded to include *West Feliciana Council* on *Aging*.

A former member of the Air Force, DCI Master Sergeant Robin McDonald, Unit Two Staff Assistant, is the Sponsor of VETERANS INCARCERATED.

Year-round, the VETS donate goods, services or funds to organizations and charities such as: the American Legion, United Way, fans for the elderly, bikes for needy kids, 4-H leadership camp, care packages for Haitian earthquake relief, and school supplies for children in Afghanistan. The club also holds an annual game night for the elderly and disabled offenders incarcerated at the institution.

Financing for all VETS charity projects is derived through visiting room food concessions every weekend.

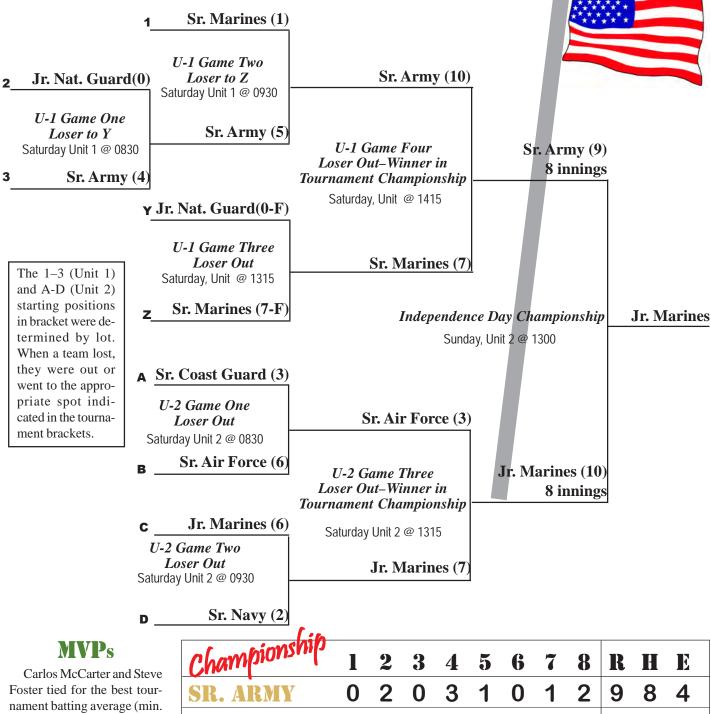
"No matter the adversities we face," said Master Sergeant McDonald, "We continue to uphold our standards and commitment to the community and offender population."

McDonald said that the organization has fared well in spite of the economic downturn. "We are veterans. We adapt and overcome."

[Editor's note: Major Joey Harrell now serves as Sponsor and Assistant Warden Bruce Coston serves as Co-sponsor of VETS.]

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highest slugging percentage and a solo home run in the championship. Foster, in addition to his excellent hitting and OBP, caught a fly deep in the right center gap with bases loaded in the top of the 8th to end the Sr. Army's rally. His RBI single in the bottom of the 8th scored Anthony Trahan from 3th base to win the championship. Co-MVP Tournament stats are below.

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	S. Foster	0.667	1.000	0.800	1.000	9	1	6	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	5	0	0



By Michael O'Neal, VETS Commander

he fourth annual game night was held for offenders over fifty years of age and/or offenders permanently disabled or confined to wheelchairs. The occasion, sponsored by VETS Incarcerated, was held on Friday evening, June 18, 2010. The club sponsor and Dixon Correctional Institute

administrators screened those who signed up to participate.

VETS Incarcerated is a service organization comprised of offenders who have served in the United States Armed Forces, National Guard, Merchant Marine, or any Armed Forces Reserve. Although the focus of the organization is charitable

outreach to the surrounding communities, the VETS also incorporate annual events within the confines of the prison to serve segments of the offender population.

The occasion consisted of the following events: bingo, spades tournament, domino tournament, and checkers tournament. The offenders participating in the table games were allowed to play bingo after they were eliminated from play or the tournament was completed.

A record turnout of close to 180 offenders attended.

Each participant was treated to (all they could eat and drink) popcorn, coffee, punch, and soft drinks. First and second place winners of each tournament received a sixpack of Cokes. The bingo winners also received a sixpack of Cokes, with the final game of *blackout* getting a double prize.

In addition to the game winners receiving prizes, twenty offenders also won door-prize packs of socks.

As offenders filed out at the end of the event, each was given a bag containing a cheeseburger, a bottle of water, a bag of potato chips, and a Danish.

At the annual game night, the VETS ensure that everyone leaves a winner. With approval from DCI Security and Infirmary personnel, the VETS also sent gift bags to the seven inmates confined to the nurse's ward in the Infirmary.



Louis Kieff wins a double prize for his blackout game win.



Door prize winner Allen Michelli salutes the VETS for their work.



Truly Spriggs is one of 17 Bingo game winners on the night.



Jeremy Stroud pulls names of participants for door prizes.

Henry Reed calls out the letters and numbers over the PA.

Nicholas Dunn spins the wheel that randomly selects numbers.

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he Dixon Correctional Institute Distinguished Gentlemen Toastmasters, Club 310 of District 68, conducted a special ceremony where the new 2010-2011 Executive Board members were sworn in to their elected offices. This event, held July 14, also contained the presentation of 2009-2010 Year-End Awards.

GARY SPEARS

Vice-president of

Membership

Brandon Stone

In attendance were special outside guests from area Toastmasters clubs: Immediate past District 68 Governor Anna Clara Gayle and current District 68 Governor Jeff Harris represented Toastmasters International. DCI Lieutenant Johnathan Cutrer, co-sponsor of the Distinguished Gentlemen Toastmasters coordinated and supervised

By Michael O'Neal, slm reporter

The event is an annual ritual within Toastmasters International. With over 10,000 member clubs worldwide, each organization's Toastmaster of the Year and Officer of the Year awards are coveted honors.

The Distinguished Gentlemen were sworn in to their new offices according to Toastmasters International procedure by District 68 Governor, Jeff Harris.

DCI DISTINGUISHED GENTLEMEN TOASTMASTERS 2010-2011 EXECUTIVE BOARD

ALFRED MCQUARTER President

MATTHEW LIERMAN Vice-president of Education

> LEONARD PEART Treasurer

Merlin George **Vice-president of Public** Relations

> Kevin Sherman Sgt-at-Arms

DISTINGUISHED **GENTLEMEN** ANNUAL AWARDS —Lester Stewart—

New Member of the Year

-Kevin Sherman-Most Improved Toastmaster

—Matthew Pineda—

Most Prepared Toastmaster

—Kenyatta Collins— Most Inspiring Toastmaster

—Paul Clarke—

Most Humorous

–Matthew Lierman, Brandon Stone, and Merlin George-

Behind the Scenes Award

—Matthew Lierman and Alfred McQuarter—

Outstanding Toastmaster —Gary Spears—

Toastmaster of the Year -Matthew Lierman-

Officer of the Year





MISSING PERSON



Anthony Brinich 21 yr old W/M

Anthony Brinich was last seen around 10 p.m. on April 7, 2009 at Café Du Monde in New Orleans, La. where he worked. Anthony has not contacted family members or been heard from since.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 504-822-1111 1-877-903-7867



HOMICIDE



Marcel Trudeau 45 yr old B/M

On August 16, 2005, Marcel Trudeau was found shot to death at his residence located in the 5600 block of Roch Ave. in New Orleans, La. Investigators believe robbery may have been the motive for the shooting.





HOMICIDE



Joseph Jermaine Byrd 24 yr old B/M

On June 8, 2005, Joseph Jermaine Byrd was shot to death in the 3600 block of Hollygrove St. near Palm and Stroelitz Sts. in New Orleans, La.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 504-822-1111 1-877-903-7867



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HOMICIDE



John MacLellan

On July 16, 2004, John MacLellan was shot and killed near the intersection of Bellaire Dr. and West Harrison Ave. in New Orleans, La.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 504-822-1111 1-877-903-7867



MISSING PERSON



Carl Bennett 52 yr old W/M

On October 6, 2008, Carl Bennett was last seen alive at his residence on Conti St. in New Orleans, La. Two weeks later, Carl Bennett's vehicle was recovered in the 6200 block of Paris Road in St. Bernard Parish. Mr. Bennett has not contacted family members or been heard from since.

If you have any information regarding thire \$1.00 es. p. ers 5 4-622-1111 1-877-903-7867



HOMICIDE



Izel Dee 22 yr old B/M

On Friday, November 22, 2002, Izel Dee was found shot to death at the I-10 Service Road and Cove Drive in New Orleans, La. Who shot Izel Dee and Why?

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 504-822-1111 1-877-903-7867





HOMICIDE



Jonathan Aris 19 yr old B/M

On April 12, 2008, Jonathan Aris was found murdered underneath an abandoned house located in the 4900 block of Willow St. in New Orleans, La. Who shot Jonathan Aris and why?

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 504-822-1111 1-877-903-7867



HOMICIDE



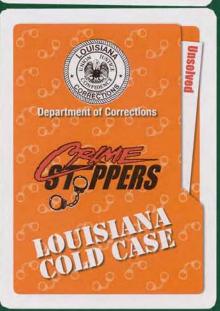
Chauncy Smith 30 yr old B/M

On August 13, 2007, Chauncy Smith was shot and killed while leaving an indoor basketball court located at the corner of St. Philip St. and N. Villere St. in New Orleans, La. Chauncy Smith was one of two victims killed when an unknown gunman opened fire on a group of people leaving.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 504-822-1111 1-877-903-7867





MISSING PERSON



Barbara Blount 58 yr old W/F

On May 2, 2008, Ms. Barbara Blount was reported missing from her home located at 38850 La. Hwy. 1036 in Holden, La. Ms Blount's 2006 Toyota Camry was discovered later ¼ mile north of her residence. Where is she and what happened to Barbara Blount?

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Jeannie Lavigne

38 yr old W/F On December 17, 1990, Jeannie Lavigne was kidnapped from her home and brought to a remote location on Summerville Road in Port Vincent, La. where she was killed. Who kidnapped and murdered

Jeannie Lavigne and why? If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



UNIDENTIFIED PERSON



(Sculpture composite) 25-30 yr old W/M

In 1991 the body of a white male approximately 25-30 years of age was found with a gunshot wound to the head and left in the McElroy Swamp in Ascension Parish.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



MISSING PERSON



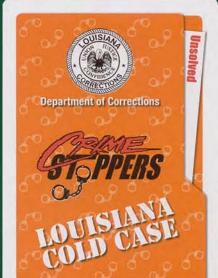
April Gay Brown 31 yr old W/F

On July 4th, 2001, April Gay Brown was last seen leaving her residence in Moorning-sport, La. She left two sons behind and has not been seen or heard from since. April Gay Brown seems to have "vanished."

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373





UNIDENTIFIED PERSON



(Digital composite) 18-30 yr old B/M

In 2005 the body of a black male approximately 18-30 years of age was found encased in cement in a 50 gallon drum in a creek near Natchitoches, La. The victim is believed to have died several years prior to being found.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



MISSING PERSON



Sandra Burris 35 yr old W/F

In July 2005 Sandra Burris was last seen leaving her job at a local restaurant in St. Landry Parish. Her whereabouts remain a mystery.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 337-948-8477



HOMICIDE



Robert Gene Jones 48 yr old B/M

On December 11, 2002, Robert Gene Jones was discovered murdered in the bedroom of his residence on Burncond Road in Bethany, La. Investigators believe robbery may have been the motive for this homicide.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



HOMICIDE



Roman Jackson 17 yr old B/M

On January 19, 2004, Roman Jackson was killed in his car during a drive by shooting in Darrow, La. Why was Roman Jackson killed?

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867





Disciples of Christ Softball Ministry based in Gloster, Mississippi shared their Christian faith with Dixon Correctional Institute offenders on Compounds One and Two after competing in a competitive softball double-header during the summer.



Hosted by Islamic Chaplain Yusef Abdullah, Dixon Correctional Institute provided the celebratory meal for Islamic offenders who fasted for the 29 days of Ramadan.

DCI CHAPLAIN'S DEPARTMENT

COMPOUND ONE CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Rev. Clyde Ennis, Senior Chaplain

Offender Dwayne Hill, Chaplain's Assistant Offender Nicholas Dunn, Chaplain's Clerks

Compound One Chaplain's Office is in the T.V. Room area by

Saturday & Sunday

Times may vary.

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Hours of operation: Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Compound One Religious Activity

Monday – FICF Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday – Islamic Studies (Ta'lim), 6:30 p.m.

Thursday – FICF Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. Saturday – Video Teaching, 7:00 a.m.

Discipleship Class, 9:00 a.m. Islamic Studies (Ta'lim), 6:15 p.m.

*Unless otherwise noted, Bible studies start at 6:15 p.m. and are held in the Compound One, Conference Room.

COMPOUND TWO CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Dr. James Jones, Chaplain Yusef Abdullah, Contract Chaplain (Islamic)

Offender Eric Matthews, Chaplain's Assistant Offender Alton Walters, Chaplain's Assistant Offenders Gerrod Thomas, Jerry Floyd, and Kevin Davis,

Chaplain's Clerks

Compound Two's Chaplain's Office is located in Recreation

Room B.

Hours of operation are Monday through Friday

7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Compound Two Religious Activity

Monday – FICF Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday – Islamic Studies (Ta'lim), 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday – FICF Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday – Divine Metaphysics, 6:30 p.m.

Friday – FICF Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday – Christian Discipleship Class, 1:00 p.m.

Islamic Studies (Ta'lim), 6:30 p.m.

Sunday – Video Teaching, 8:00 a.m.

Jehovah's Witnesses, 1:00 p.m. FICF Worship Service, 2:30 p.m. Islamic (Ta'lim), 6:30 p.m.

*Unless otherwise noted, all Bible studies start at 6:30 p.m. and are held in the Compound Two, Conference Room B.

COMPOUND THREE CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

Dr. James Jones, Chaplain

Offender Thomas Butler, Chaplain's Clerk

Compound Three Religious Activity

Sunday through Friday FICF Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

COMPOUND FIVE CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE

(Youthful Offender Program) Rev. Clyde Ennis, Chaplain

Compound Five Religious Activity

Monday – FCBD Program, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday – FCBD Program, 6:30 p.m.

Master Life, 6:30 p.m. in Visiting Room

Wednesday – FCBD Program, 6:30 p.m. YOP Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Sunday

FCBD Program, 6:30 p.m.

WCB Worship, 12:15 p.m.

Jumah Prayer, 1:00 p.m. in

Jumah Prayer, 1:00 p.m. in Chapel Catholic Mass, 6:30 p.m. in Chapel

Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 p.m. in Chapel FICF Worship Service, 2:00 p.m.

& 6:30pm in Chapel

YOP Worship, 6:00 p.m.

*Note: Program scheduling is subject to change for staff and offenders due to mandatory callouts, revivals, seminars, and/or special events



ixon Correctional Institute, a multicustody state prison facility located in Jackson, Louisiana, was the venue for a precedent setting weekend seminar for male offenders and their legally married wives.

Hosted by Michael Ellerbe, DCI pre-release director and his wife, Elain, the pilot seminar paired incarcerated husbands and their spouses in group sessions designed to pose situations ...veteran prison administrators readily

conventional marriages face daily.

From 2005 to 2007, *Refined* By Fire Ministries, Inc. and Dixon Correctional Institute

partnered to implement the federally funded Grant Program "Marriages That Matter." This collaborative pilot project provided healthy marriage education and child support services to underserved ethnically diverse non-married, custodial and noncustodial parents. A total of one-hundred DCI offenders participated in the weekly class format, and 23 participated in

the one weekend seminar format. Additionally, ten families participated in the Sunday evening Family Dinner concluding the weekend seminar.

The idea of a marriage seminar strictly for couples, was first presented to Michael Ellerbe as a continuation of his DCI prerelease curriculum. Mr. Ellerbe discussed the proposal with his wife Elain, who serves as chief executive officer and president of the non-profit agency Reentry Benefiting Families (RBF). It

agreed that the seminar might impact the institution's reentry mission in a positive way.

was determined that a seminar of this nature would be an ideal forum to enhance reentry initiatives of the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections and Dixon Correctional Institute.

Often referred to as "Team Ellerbe," Mr. and Mrs. Ellerbe pitched the innovative married couple's seminar concept to DCI





Michael Ellerbe performs nuptials for three couples in the first multiple wedding held at DCI.

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Warden Steve Rader and Deputy Warden Janet Lorena. The veteran prison administrators readily agreed that the seminar might impact the institution's Reentry Mission in a positive way. Providing married offenders with social skills, holds the promise to reduce recidivism by strengthening marital bonds before offenders are released from incarceration.

Under the close watch of DCI security staff and video surveillance, the seminar was staged inside the prison's new *Nancy Ree Foreman* "Freedom" Chapel. In 2008, the Freedom Chapel was dedicated to the memory of Mrs.

Foreman, mother of former world heavyweight boxing champion, George Foreman.



Michael Ellerbe

Summer Steib

Married for 32 years, Mr. and Mrs. Ellerbe led the pilot group

through revealing question and

answer sessions that spurred

open and honest responses from

all the participants. What quickly

became evident was that

incarcerated married couples

face unique and difficult

challenges that have, until the

DCI/RBF seminar, gone

unaddressed by state and private

social service agencies. The

Ellerbe's utilized the couple's

Department of Social Services.

Guest speaker, Summer Steib, representing

Capital Area Family Violence Intervention Center, Inc, Battered Women's Program, based in

Baton Rouge, offered an informative lecture re-

modules from the Marriage and Relationships

for Fragile Families curriculum that has been

highly recommended by the Louisiana

Cooking for Christ from Healing Place Church and Rocco's Restaurant of Zachary donated lunch for the participants.

garding important domestic violence issues.

At the conclusion of the seminar, Mr. Ellerbe,

also an ordained minister, married three couples, and renewed the marital vows of the other attendees. It marked the first time

at DCI that marriages were performed en masse.

All the offenders and their spouses expressed deep gratitude to Mr. and Mrs. Ellerbe, and the DCI administration of Warden Steve Rader, Deputy Warden Jamet Lorena, Assistant Warden James Stevens, Assistant Warden Gary Shotwell, Assistant Warden Bruce Coston and Colonel John Smith for coordinating their special weekend together.



Mrs. Elain Ellerbe





Wendy Wolfson, of the LSU School of Veterinarian Science officially certified five offenders at DCI as Animal Shelter Assistants for demonstrating proficiency in animal sheltering, knowledge and skill.

Handpicked by DCI Colonel John Smith, the offenders underwent classroom training led by Dr. Wolfson and a host of LSU Vet School students.

"Dr. Wolfson and her students taught the DCI offenders how to care for sheltered animals, how not to get bitten, and to recognize animal behavior that would indicate various illnesses," Col. Smith explained.

He said, "When the shelter

becomes fully operational, it is very important that the offenders who work around these animals have a basic understanding of health related issues and the caution and care it will take to make this operation run smoothly, efficiently and successfully."

The shelter is expected to become fully operational this fall.





Above: Dr. Wendy Wolfson presents certificates to Ronald Beechler, Lloyd Addison, Bryant Hayes, James Ziegler, and Paul Hills upon completion of training as Animal Shelter Assistants.

Left: LSU Veterinarian Students endorse Certificates issued to offenders.

DCI ASSISTS CRIME VICTIMS

airness, Dignity, Respect was the theme of the 2010 National Crime Victims' Rights Week Observance at Dixon Correctional Institute on April 22.

Hosted by Assistant Warden Gary Shotwell, guest speaker for the event was Summer Steib, MA, Director of Education and Training for the Capital Area Family Violence Intervention Center.

Ms. Steib offered a dramatic *PowerPoint* presentation that depicted actual photographs of individuals brutalized during domestic altercations. Approximately 200 offenders attended.

Ms. Jean Wall, Victim's Assistance Coordinator representing the Department's Crime Victim's Bureau, also attended.

To coincide with National Crime Victims Rights Week, Assistant Warden Shotwell informed the offenders that the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections was joining forces with *CrimeStoppers* to help solve cold case crimes in Louisiana.

Offenders housed in state prison facilities can now anonymously dial nine different telephone numbers using the prison's offender phone system to provide information on any of 52 missing persons or unsolved homicide cases depicted on a deck of playing cards for sale in the prison canteens. Offenders may also call CrimeStoppers to provide information on recent publicized crimes.



SOLUTIONS TO POVERTY/FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CLASSES PASS PHASE I

he second financial management class of fourteen DCI offenders graduated at the end of August. The first class of nine offenders graduated in May 2010. Both groups completed Phase I of the program by participating in the FDIC Money Smart, ten-week curriculum.

Elain Ellerbe, CEO of Reentry Benefiting Families, the organization funding and providing the program, said, "These are the first offenders in a state facility to ever complete this type of study. The offenders will not only be able to take this back to their families, but also their communities. Generations

> could benefit from the knowledge they've obtained from this course."

Phase II, a 14-week selfinvestigative program entitled, "Getting Ahead in a Just Getting by World" is scheduled to begin at the end of September.

Colby Calais, released from prison shortly after completing Phase I, said, "Even though I knew about banking and had an account, I never realized how budgeting and saving could benefit me. I will definitely use this information when I go home and I know it will help me do better in my life."



LAW LIBRARY OPERATIONS

By Joseph Badeaux, Offender Counsel Substitute

TO THE OFFENDER POPULATION:

ffender Counsels are individuals who are not Lawyers, but assist the offender population concerning legal issues.

There is one (1) Offender Counsel who serves the general population on Unit Two, Compound 3.

There are five (5) Offender Counsels who serve the general population on Units One and Two, Compounds 1, 2 and 5 as follows:

Unit One 1 is provided with two nights of *Self Help Research* (Monday & Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.); and one night of *Consultation* to discuss legal issues with an Offender Counsel (Friday 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.).

Unit Two 2 is provided with two nights of *Self Help Research* (Wednesday & Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.); and one night of *Consultation* to discuss legal issues with an Offender Counsel (Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.).

To be placed on callout, you must submit a *CLS-09 Form* to the Classification Department by placing it in the mail. You will then be placed on a callout. If you fail to show up for your callout, a NO SHOW will be placed by your name and you will be charged with a

Disciplinary Rule Infraction. (THIS IS A MANDATORY CALLOUT).

Only one requested service per form. You must provide separate forms for each requested service you are requesting to obtain.

Please be advised that, for any Civil Petitions (i.e., Divorces, Law Suits, Power of Attorneys, and any other Petition that does not have a State interest) outside Notary is required. You must submit an *Offender Withdrawal Request* in the amount of \$25.00 attached to a CLS-09 Form, with the proper box checked for *Outside Notary*. You will be placed on a callout to visit with the outside Notary person who will provide services.

Notary Service for criminal matters is provided by the Classification Department as follows: Post Conviction Application, Judicial Review Application, Forma Pauper Application for Offender Account Statement, and that are of State interest).

Offender Counsels are allowed to provide copy services for legal documents upon approval from the Classification Department of each Unit. Offenders requesting to obtain copies of legal documents must fill out an *Offender Withdrawal Request* to cover the cost of the copies, and must be approved by the



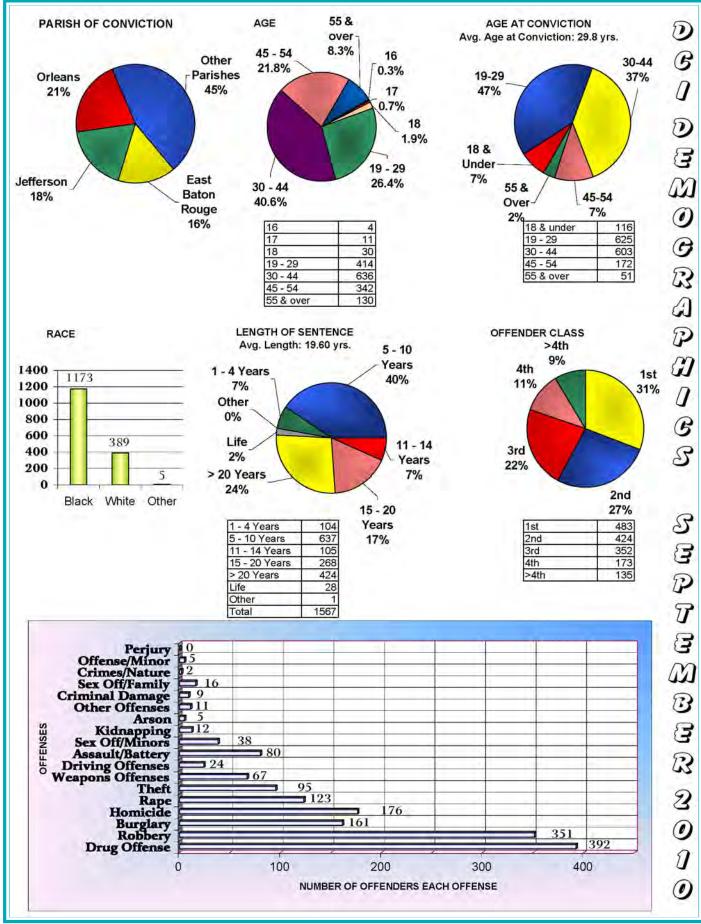
Joseph Badeaux

Classification Department of each Unit.

Please be advised that, it is not necessary for a legal document to be typed (i.e., Motions, Petitions, Writs, and Applications) they all can be handwritten.

An offender, when placed on callout, may use the typewriter to type his legal documents. Only legal documents are approved to be typed. Offender Counsels are not a typing service.





Top Row

Asst. Warden Kenneth Booty Elliot Johnson, Asst. Coach Jan Porretto, Coach Edward Hilliard, Asst. Coach

Second Row

Quinton Brown Tyrone Dunbar Robert Hyde

Third Row

Leon Mosely Lawrence Henderson Eddie Fulgham

Fourth Row

Mark Carpenter Jack Danzler Robert Lagarde

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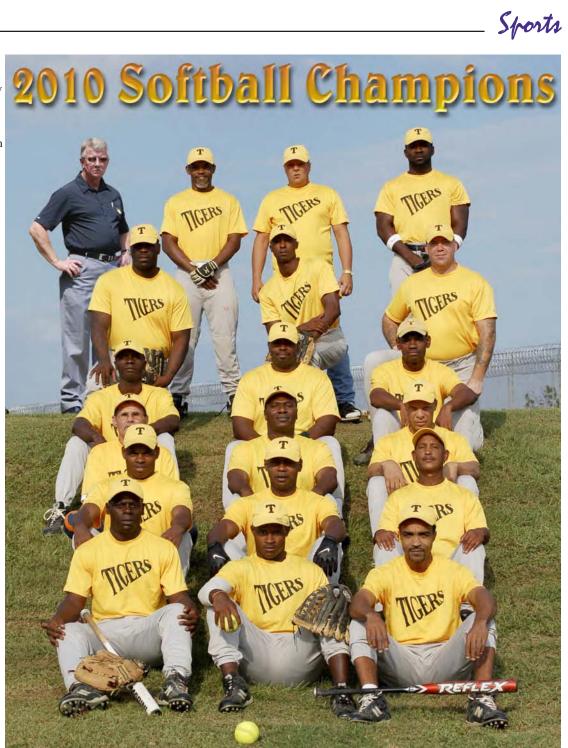
Ronald Green Craig Sullivan Howard Lindsey

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John Jones Dameyon Turner Kirk Antoine

Not Pictured

Scott Bellow Seth Anderson Charles Mouton Marshall Stephens Willie Taylor **Donjarrel Thomas** Reginald Toefield Kendrick Volter



TIGERS WIN DCI CHAMPIONSH

fter posting an impressive 16-2 regular season record, the top-seeded Unit One Tigers defeated the Unit Two Legends Reloaded, four games to two, in a best of seven series, to clinch the Dixon Correctional Institute, 2010 slow-pitch

softball championship.

The Tigers were then pitted against All Star Teams representing Compound Two and Compound Three in a doubleelimination tournament. The Tigers defeated both All Star squads to win the DCI tournament and bragging rights.

The Tigers were chosen to face an All Star team comprised of offenders housed at the Louisiana State Police Barracks. The *Tigers* disappointingly ended their 2010 season by losing two games to one in the daylong event on DCI's Compound One.

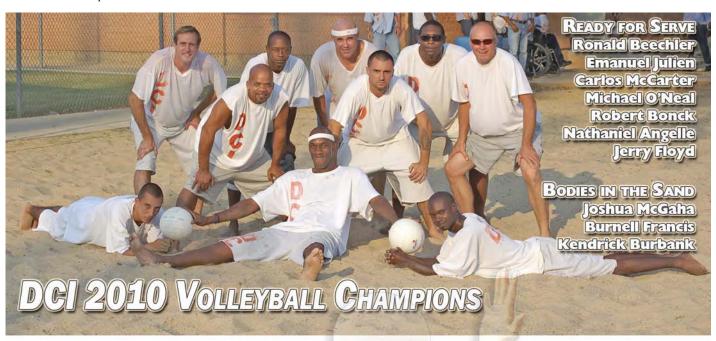
By Michael O'Neal, slm reporter

y the end of the regular season, two teams were tied for first place in the league. Although Slipknot had won more weekend tournaments than any other team, Complete Chaos (19-4) and Slipknot (19-4) played in a bestof-three set series to determine the #1 seed in the four-team tournament. The first day of the tournament was held on the Unit Two sand. Complete Chaos swept Slipknot 2–0 to clinch the top seed in the tournament.

Once the preliminary game was over, the playoff match-ups were decided. Slipknot trounced Borne Assassins 2-0 to arrive in the championship first; Complete Chaos defeated Master *Pumpers* 2–1 to complete the championship bracket.

After a brief rest, the championship sets commenced with a crowd of over 100 offenders watching the matches. Complete Chaos left Unit Two with 1-set lead, putting Slipknot's back to the wall with a 3–2 count in the best-of-seven series.

The final games of the championship round were held on Unit One sand early on a Sunday morning . Slipknot quickly won two straight sets and jubilantly headed back to Unit Two as the Dixon Correctional Institute 2010 Volleyball Champions.





DCI Launches

by Leslie Schmidt, R.N., DCI Director of Nursing

new initiative between the Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections and the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center has been implemented to organize healthcare services for offenders to provide the most effective and efficient access to specialized care services. Telemedicine is a major component of this initiative.

Telemedicine uses medical and computer equipment as well as electronic communication technologies to enable healthcare providers at different locations to transfer and share individual patient health information for

the purpose of improving patient care. Patient information including medical records, images, sound and video files, live two-way audio/video and data from medical devices may be used for diagnosis, planning treatment, follow up, and/or education. Potential benefits include improved access to health care services, reduced unit time for specialty services, improved quality and/or frequency of healthcare, and improved triage or healthcare management.

Telemedicine clinics utilized by the Dixon Correctional Institute Medical Department are General

Surgery, Orthopedics, Dermatology, Nose and Throat, Endocrinology, Rheumatology, Neurology, Renal, Urology, Gastroenterology, Infectious Disease, Cardiology and Pulmonary.

As the program expands, other clinics such as Ophthalmology, will be added.

In June, twenty-nine DCI offenders were seen by Telemedicine providers. The number increased to seventy-eight offenders in July. Telemedicine has been a positive experience for DCI and well received by offenders and providers.

HOSPITAL TRIPS BECOME QUICKER AND CHEAPER

By Jan Joseph Porretto, slm editor

rior to his incarceration, DCI offender Jerome Johnson, 40, was shot in the upper left arm. The bullet tore through the flesh and broke the bones. He was treated at University Hospital in New Orleans. After incarceration he was transported by armed security officers to and from University for treatment. Today, he says the arm seems to be almost healed but

the muscles have understandably atrophied from the extended immobilization. Now incarcerated at DCI, Johnson was recently examined by doctors at University via

Telemedicine.

Johnson and other offenders were placed on the DCI daily notification bulletin which ordered him to report to the DCI

Infirmary for Telemedicine.

"I got to the Infirmary and waited in the lobby. Tenminutes later I was called into one of the rooms by a DCI nurse and sat in front of a computer screen. I could see and hear the doctor at University Hospital and he could see and hear me. He asked me about my arm and told me to raise my arm and then make bicep curls to see how I could bend it. He told me to turn to the side so that he could see the movement of my arm. Then he told the DCI nurse that he was going to need some x-rays to

see what it was looking like. The session ended with the doctor telling the DCI nurse that he wanted x-rays taken. Then I was free to go back to the dorm. It took all of 10-

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slm - Volume 11 - Number 2 minutes," Johnson explained.

Johnson said that he was x-rayed at the DCI Infirmary three days later.

If not for Telemedicine, Johnson would have been scheduled for a trip to University. That means he would have been called to the Bull Pen early one morning, strip-searched and placed in an orange jumpsuit. He would have been placed in a waist-chain, handcuffs, and leg shackles. Two armed correctional

containing milk, chips, bread and cold cuts. Once all offenders were seen by doctors, they would be reloaded into the van and driven back to DCI. Many times, a hospital trip to see a doctor for 10 minutes is an eight to twelve-hour ordeal.

What Telemedicine means to the DCI security force is less employee man hours escorting offenders to and from hospitals. No gas costs or vehicle mileage. No trips outside the

Jerome Johnson shows upper arm broken by gunfire prior to his incarceration.

Telemedicine for the state and the offender population, Johnson expressed the feeling of many offenders, I still wanted to go to the hospital because I like the ride to see

that world and get away from here

for a little while."

offender population is a quick treatment by specialized physicians.

What Telemedicine means to the

officers would then escort Johnson and any other offenders scheduled for a hospital trip to a waiting van. They would then take the 90-minute drive to University Hospital in New Orleans. The offenders would have been paraded through the evercrowded hospital to wait in a holding area until it was time to see a doctor. For lunch, the offenders would have been given a bag generally

prison compounds essentially eliminates any chance of escapes.

What Telemedicine means to the offender population is a quick treatment by specialized physicians. No shackles or chains. No embarrassment from being seen by the general public. No seemingly endless hours shackled and chained in a holding tank.

Despite, the evident benefits of





MISSING PERSON



Heather Raquel Holliday 32 yr old W/F

Heather Raquel Holliday was last seen alive on December 22, 2006 on the Ramah levee in Iberville Parish. She has not been seen or heard from since. Foul play is suspected. What happened to Heather Raquel Holliday?

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



MISSING PERSON



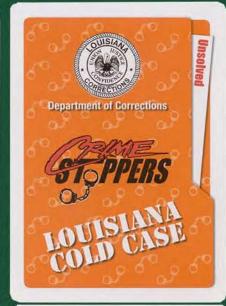
David Briley 42 yr old W/M

The last time anyone saw David Briley was on August 16, 2007 when he left his trailer park in Lake Charles, La. to go to the store. He was last seen wearing blue jeans, a white shirt and white shoes.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 337-439-8677 1-800-737-8677







HOMICIDE



Mary Anna Sittig Courville & Youric Courville 70 yr old W/F 83 yr old W/M

On January 10, 2006 the bodies of Youric Courville and his wife Mary Anna Sittig Courville were discovered inside their residence located at 231 Boudreaux St. in Eunice, La. Youric and Mary Anna had both been stabbed to death.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 337-948-8477



About the Deck

The Louisiana Department of Public Safety and Corrections, in partnership with Crime Stoppers and law enforcement statewide, has created a cold case playing card deck. These cards highlight 52 unsolved violent homicide, missing person and unidentified remains cases that have occurred throughout the state.

If you have information regarding the cold card cases profiled in this deck, you are urged to call the toll free number assigned to each individual card.









Brad Bourda 29 year old B/M

Chauncey Adams 31 year old B/M

Terry Hester 23 year old B/M

On May 12, 2008, Brad Bourda, Terry Hester and Channcey Adams were all found shot to death in a parked car located in the 600 block of St. Louis Street in Raceland, La.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 1-800-743-7433



HOMICIDE



Raenell Veillon 41 yr old W/F

Raenell Veillon was last seen alive on May 10, 2002. The remains of Raenell Veillon were discovered two weeks later in a field south of Lake Charles, La.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 337-439-8677 1-800-737-8677



Louisiana Cold Cases

This cold case deck profiles 52 unsolved cases, yet there are hundreds more in Louisiana. You might know something about these cases or you might have information on a case not in this deck. Your information just may be the missing link that family members have been waiting for to solve their loved one's case.

Please call the number at the bottom of each card if you can help. If you have information about a case that does not appear in this deck, call

> 1-877-723-7867 Or visit www.Crimestoppersbr.com to submit information.

Your anonymous tip could lead to a cash reward.

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HOMICIDE



Elizabeth Gordon 25 yr old W/F

On October 13, 2005 Elizabeth Gordon was found murdered in her home located on Louisiana Hwy. 63 in Walker, La.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Melinda Schuburt 24 yr old W/F

On December 6, 1986, Melinda Schuburt was reported missing. Her remains were later found on January 26, 1987 on Strawberry Lane in Livingston Parish. She died as the result of homicidal violence.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Johnny Broadway 18 yr old B/M

On July 17, 1999, the body of Johnny Broadway was discovered on a levee behind the 600 block of Aero Dr. in Shreveport, La. Johnny Broadway died as a result of homicidal violence.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



HOMICIDE



David Bell 35 yr old W/M

On December 17, 2001, David Bell was found dead at his residence located on Abbot Lane in Walker, La.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

> CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Eugene Pravata 52 yr old W/M

On November 28, 1998, Eugene Pravata was shot outside of his residence located on Robertson Road in Tickfaw, La. Eugene Pravata died as the direct result of this shooting.





HOMICIDE



Cindy Dale Cathey 23 yr old W/F

On September 14, 1993 the body of Cindy Dale Cathey was discovered at the end of Wallace Lake Road in Shreveport, La. Cindy Dale Cathey died as a result of homicidal violence.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373





HOMICIDE



Debbie Clement 52 yr old W/F

On March 9, 2007, Debbie Clement was found murdered in her home on Hwy 134 in East Carroll Parish. Who shot Debbie Clement and why?

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 225-344-7867 1-877-723-7867



HOMICIDE



Sharon Glover 27 yr old B/F

On November 14, 1993, Sharon Glover's body was found in a ditch on Mount Olive Church Road in Caddo Parish. Sharon Glover died as a result of homicidal violence.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

> CrimeStoppers 337-948-8477



HOMICIDE



Roderick Simmons 23 yr old B/M

On September 24, 1999, Robert Simmons was reported missing. Two months later, his skeletal remains were discovered by hunters near a power line in the right of way in the 7500 block of Jefferson Paige Road in Caddo Parish.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



THE WATER WE DRINK

DIXON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE

PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY ID: LA1037002 (PUBLICATION DATE MAY 21, 2010)

We are pleased to present to you the Annual Water Quality Report for the year 2009. This report is designed to inform you about the quality of your water and services we deliver to you every day (Este informe contiene

información muy importante sobre su agua potable. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien). Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand

the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

Our water source(s) are listed below:

Source Name

Dixon Correctional Institute Well

Source Water Type

Ground Water

Source Water Body Name

Ground Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity. Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial Contaminants - such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.

Inorganic Contaminants - such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

Pesticides and Herbicides - which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.

Organic Chemical Contaminants - including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.

Radioactive Contaminants - which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

A Source Water Assessment Plan (SWAP) is now available from our office. This plan is an assessment of a delineated area around our listed sources through which contaminants, if present, could migrate and reach our source water. It also includes an inventory of potential sources of contamination within the delineated area, and a determination of the water supply's susceptibility to contamination by the identified potential sources. According to the Source Water Assessment Plan, our water system had a susceptibility rating of 'medium'. If you would like to review the Source Water Assessment Plan, please feel free to contact our office at the number provided in the following paragraph.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Dixon Correctional Institute is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components.

When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. We are pleased to report that our drinking water is safe and meets Federal and State requirements. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you have any questions about this report, want to attend any scheduled meetings, or simply want to learn more about your drinking water, please contact Steve Rader at 225-634-6319.

The Louisiana Department of Health and Hospitals-Office of Public Health routinely monitors for constituents in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. The tables that follow show the results of our monitoring during the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2009. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk.

In the tables below, you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms, we've provided the following definitions:

Non-Detects (ND) - laboratory analysis indicates that the constituent is not present.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (ug/L) - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

Parts per trillion (ppt) or Nanograms per liter (ng/L) - one part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single

penny in \$10,000,000,000.

Parts per quadrillion (ppq) or Picograms per liter (pg/L) - one part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000,000.

Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) - picocuries per liter is a measure of the radioactivity in water.

Millirems per year (mrem/yr) - measure of radiation absorbed by the body.

Million fibers per liter (MFL) - million fibers per liter is a measure of the presence of asbestos fibers that are longer than 10 micrometers.

Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU) - nephelometric turbidity unit is a measure of the clarity of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the average person.

Variances & Exemptions (V&E) - State or EPA permission not to meet McL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.

Action Level (AL) - the concentration of a contaminant that, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements that a water system must follow.

Treatment Technique (TT) - a treatment technique is a required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - the "Maximum Allowed" MCL is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCL's are set as close to the MCLG's as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - the "Goal" is the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to human health. MCLG's allow for a margin of safety.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

During the period covered by this report we had below noted violations of drinking water regulations.

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Type Category Analyte **Compliance Period**

No Violations in the Calendar Year of 2009

Our water system tested a minimum of 2 samples per month monthly sample(s) in accordance with the Total Coliform Rule for microbiological contaminants. During the monitoring period covered by this report, we had the following noted detections for microbiological contaminants:

Microbiological Result **MCL MCLG Typical Source**

No Detected Results were Found in the Calendar Year of 2009

In the tables below, we have shown the regulated contaminants that were detected at levels BELOW their maximum contaminant level. These samples, except for Lead and Copper results and surface water systems, were collected at the raw water source and represent water before any treatment, blending or distribution. As such, the consumer tap levels could be less. Chemical Sampling of our drinking water may not be required on an annual basis; therefore, information provided in this table refers back to the latest year of chemical sampling results.

resurts.								
Regulated Contaminant	Collection Date	Highest Value	: Rang	e U	nit N	MCL M	CLG	Typical Source
FLUORIDE	4/19/2005	0.2	0.2	ÞÍ	om	4	4	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Lead and	9	O th	95 th			Site	s	Typical
Copper Date	Perce	entile Pe	rcentile	Unit	AL	Over .	AL	Source
COPPER, 200' FREE	7 (0.2	0.2	ppm	1.3	0		Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives.
LEAD 200	7	1	1	ppb	15	0		Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Radionuclides	Collection Date	Highest Value No Detected	Range Results were F	Unit Found in the	MCL Calendar Ye	MCLG	T.	Typical Source
DBP Contaminants	Monitoring period	RAA	Range	Unit	MCL	MCLG	r F	Typical Source
TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)	1/1/2009 - 12/31/2009	10	10	ppb	60	0		By-product of drinking water disinfection
TTHM	1/1/2009 – 12/31/2009	14	14	ppb	80	0		By-product of drinking water chlorination

+++++++ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY REQUIRED HEALTH EFFECTS LANGUAGE+++++++

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have underorgan gone people

with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people

should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/ CDC guidelines

on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water hotline (800-426-4791). There are no additional required health ef-

fects notices. There are no additional required health effects violation notices.

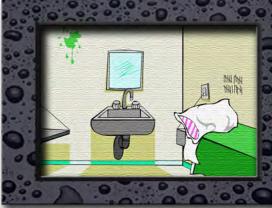
Thank you for allowing us to continue providing your family with clean, quality water this year. In order to maintain a safe and dependable water supply we sometimes need to make improvements that will benefit all of our customers. Please call our office if you have questions. We at the DIXON CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTE work around the clock to provide top quality drinking water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect and conserve our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life, and our children's future.

I Die Before I'm Released...Know This.

rever did I think, that I'd be labeled as a Menace... to society, by society, a variety of people who won't hinder... Their notions of me being a criminal, cause the crimes I did and committed...In their eyes, I'm just a criminal, who chose to do something and did it... Nah, everyday I wake up, in the same place, surrounded by the same gender... No matter if it's night, or if it's day, I still see the same picture... Since, I'm out of sight, I've been, or will be, out of minds... No matter if I'm gone 15 years... 6

months, maybe less, 24 hours... A perfect picture, painted perfect, can only be made by a perfect painter that paints a picture... If the picture's perfect, when the painter paints it, then the frame will be perfect also, to hold the picture, when it's painted... If I've lost you, and you don't over stand, just know, that I'm the picture... The perfect painter, is the system, and the perfect frame, is Prison... See, everyday, it's me against the ropes, in a Defensive Posture... Fighting unknown Enemies, some blows I

Anthony Jones, #460966, DCI



can't block them... How can I defeat, something blind, to seeing eyes?... I been Shot, Cut, Killed, Stabbed; even fell, but still I'd rise... Society, please listen, it was y'all, who judged me, within minutes... Of knowing me, but this was my Life, before you labeled me as a menace...

 $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ many days, was dark, as the nights, I sat and stalked,... Many nights, ➡have been bright as day, from Gunpowder, Fire and Sparks... First Murder, I witnessed, I didn't even get to see... The victim, saw the light, then came back, The victim was me... Born, into poverty, Killed, then brought back into poverty... A Second chance for me, for what?... To accomplish something out of it?... Accomplish what?... Life in prison, Death again, or a Warrior's Story?... I had to feel pain, to know it hurts, no one told me... Every lesson I learned, was taught to me, by I... Not Mother, not Father, not a Teacher, nor God... I opened my eyes, at 9, blurry vision and partially blind... I was forced to hustle and Rob, wasn't no option or choice of mine... What was I to do?... No Father, and Drugs stole my Moms?... Starving, Lonely, no money, and too young for a 9 to 5... One bedroom, one bath, a living room, and a kitchen... No furniture, no water, no gas, nor electricity... We made spare keys, to each house, before, we got evicted... Each month, go to a spare house, that the spare key, would

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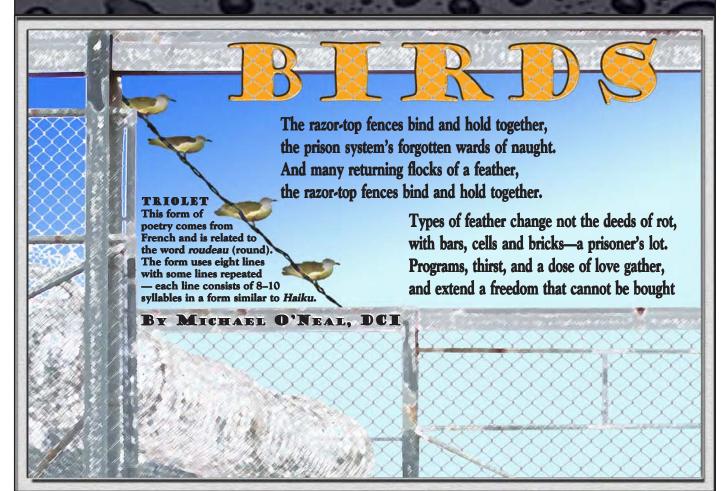
If I Die Before I'm Released...Know This...

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fit in... The first meal, on most days, would most likely, be the last.. Supper today, dinner yesterday, days later, we'd break, our fast...

Society, if I take my last breath, confined beyond fence... know that I tried hard, to live soft, which forced me to sin... Know, my state of thinking's changed, my demeanor's been altered... My outlook on Life's the same, Chained Ankles, since I started walking...Sneezing, Coughing, Hawking, Wheezing, Weak, Tired, Lazy, Exhausted... Breathing, Talking, Fighting, Arguing, Death will come, in one of those moments... Know everything's preordained, Life isn't, what you make of it!!! Death, takes everything your heart cherished, and separates you away from it... Somewhat similar, to captivity, y'all never look at it like that...huh...??...I've taken that veil, from over your minds, didn't know y'all was Blind...huh...??...Sentence me to fifteen years, sentence me to Life in Prison... Such a Perfect Frame, made by, Perfect Painters, to hold this Perfect Picture... Remember, Life's a if, Breath's a Gift, there's so many emotions inside of one Tear.

If I die, Before I'm Released, at least, ya'll will Know This...



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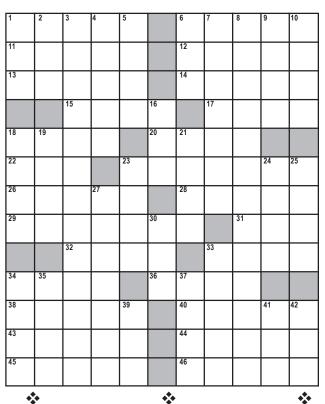
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A DAY AT THE RACES WORD SEARCH

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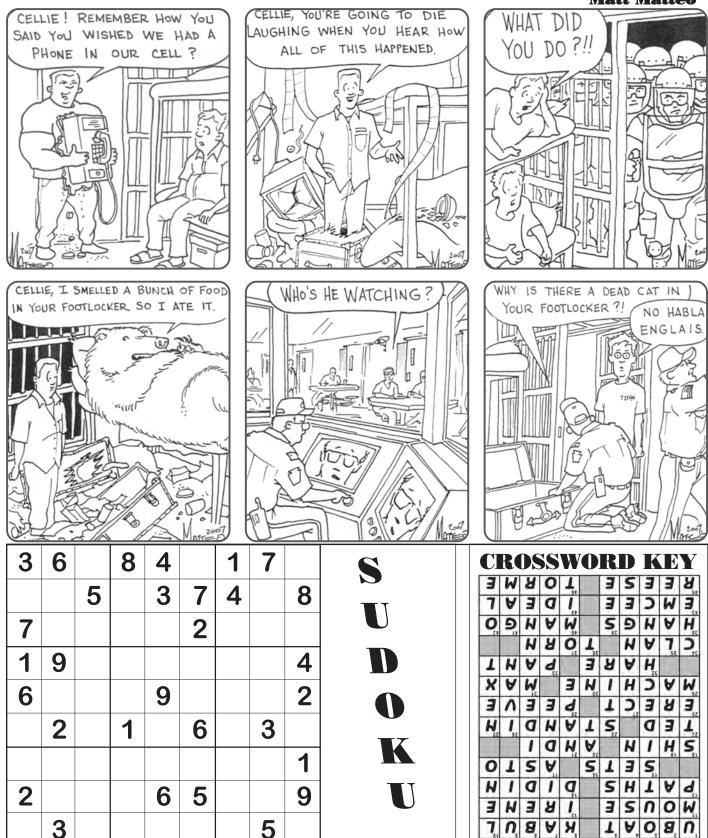
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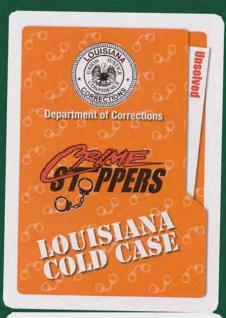
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by PA inmate Matt Matteo



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HOMICIDE



Harold Bruce Cotton 52 yr old B/M

On February 29, 2004, Harold Bruce Cotton, was found murdered in the back seat of his car located on White Springs Road on the Caddo and Desoto Parish Line.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



HOMICIDE



Kristen Gary Lopez 21 yr old W/F

Kristen Gary Lopez was last seen alive on March 6, 2007. Her body was discovered several days later lying in a drainage ditch off La. 99 South in Jefferson Davis Parish. Kristen Gary Lopez died as the result of homicidal violence.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

CrimeStoppers 337-824-6662 1-877-723-7867



UNIDENTIFIED PERSON

No Photo Available

15-25 yr old B/M

On June 1, 1991, skeletal remains were found at the dead end of Clyde Fant Parkway on the Red River bank in Caddo Parish. The body is believed to be that of a 15-25 year old black male, approximately 5' 5"tall and approximately 130 to 150 lbs. This person died as the result of homicidal violence.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



HOMICIDE



Mutrice Germany 22 yr old B/M

On January 23, 1994, Mutrice Germany was brutally murdered in the 1500 block of Texas Street in Shreveport, La. His assailant fled the scene in a 1987 burgundy Oldsmobile.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



HOMICIDE



Luther Meshell 50 yr old W/M

On March 27, 1991, Luther Meshell, who was wheelchair bound, was found murdered in his apartment located in the 1600 block of Michel St. in Shreveport, La. Who killed Luther Meshell and why?

If you have any information regarding this case, call

> CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



UNIDENTIFIED PERSON

No Photo Available

On March 26, 1999, the body of newborn baby "John Doe" was discovered at 11625 Old Mansfield Rd. in Caddo Parish/Shreveport, La. The cause of death is unknown.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 318-673-7373



HOMICIDE



Loretta Lynn Chaisson Lewis 28 yr old W/F

Loretta Lynn Chaisson Lewis was last seen alive on May 17, 2005. Her body was later discovered in a drainage ditch off La. Hwy. 1126 in Jefferson Davis Parish, Loretta Lynn Chaisson Lewis died as the result of homicidal violence.

If you have any information regarding this case, call

> CrimeStoppers 337-824-6662



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HOMICIDE



Ernestine Daniel Patterson 30 yr old B/F

Ernestine Daniel Patterson was last seen alive on June 16, 2005. Her partially clothed body was discovered on June 18, 2005 lying in a drainage ditch off La 102 South of Jefferson Davis Parish. Ernestine Daniel Patterson died as the result of homicidal violence.

> If you have any information regarding this case, call

> > CrimeStoppers 337-824-6662



